

What is Claimed is:

1. A surface protection film for optical films which comprises a base material film comprising a poly(lactic acid)-based film.

2. The surface protection film for optical films of claim 1, which comprises a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer disposed on one side of the base material film.

3. An optical film having a surface protection film applied thereto, wherein the surface protection film is the surface protection film of claim 1.

4. An optical film having a surface protection film applied thereto, wherein the surface protection film is the surface protection film of claim 2.

5. An image display device having a surface protection film applied thereto, wherein the surface protection film is the surface protection film of claim 1.

6. An image display device having a surface protection film applied thereto, wherein the surface protection film is the surface protection film of claim 2.

7. A method of protecting a surface of an optical film which comprises covering the surface of the optical film with the surface protection film of claim 1.

8. A method of protecting a surface of an optical film which comprises covering the surface of the optical film with the surface protection film of claim 2.

9. A method of protecting a display surface of an

image display device which comprises covering the display surface of the image display device with the surface protection film of claim 1.

10. A method of protecting a display surface of an image display device which comprises covering the display surface of the image display device with the surface protection film of claim 2.